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mer yesterday afterneen held an inquest upon the body, when the following evidence was adduced:

Win. Saalburg, sworn, any.—I keep a barber shop in the lewer flow of No. 238 William street; about 124 o'clock yesterday afterneon. I heard the report of a pistol, and soon after, a second report: I rushed into the hall and saw Ossenberg falling over his wife, his back reeding upon her, and his feet upon the second flight of stairs; she was lying upon her face, and her clothes were on fire; I put out the flames, and then her father and sister rushed past me toward the street, calling for assistance; the horse pistol shown me was lying on the right side of Ossenberg.

Maria Wantemacher, slater of the deceased woman, sworn says—White taking dinner, I heard the report of a pistol, and run down, with my fether and sister, and her bushand lying apon her; her clothes were burning, and many people were running in; she was brought up stairs; the pistol shown me I saw lying by the side of Ossenberg; he had been married in Europe, and my sister, not knowing this, ourried him five years ago, and they went to New-Orleans; he there treated her badly, and especially so after she discovered that he had a wife living in Europe; they remained in New-Orleans two years, and then be bought a small farm at Helena, where they lived unlappily tog-ther, and on the 8th of March last he menaced her with a knife; she then left him, and went to live with her father, he tried in vain to get her to return, and some tunes called at her father's, where he would threaten her with a knife; she then left him, and went to live with her father, he tried in vain to get her to return, and some tunes called at her father's, where he would threaten her with violence if she refused; she always sait that

father; he tried in vant to get her to return, and some-times called at her father's, where he would threaten her with violence if she refused; she always said that she would rather die than live with him again.

Dr. Geo. B. Bowton restified that the cause of the death of Mrs. Ossenburg was a gun-shot wound on the right side of the sternum between the fourth and fifth ribe, and that the cause of her husband's death was a similar wound, about one inch to the left of the median line, below the eartilages of the ribs.

The July, in the case of the female, rendered a "Death by a pistol-shot wound at the "hand of John Diedrick Ossemburg, May 19, 1859," and in that of Ossenburg, " Death by snicide." Ossenburg was a native of Prussia, 42 years of age His wife was also a native of Prussia, 22 years of age.

## THE HILLSBURGH LIBEL CASE.

The examination in this case was continued before the City Hall Police Court yesterday afternoon. Mr. Stafford, one of the counsel for the complainant, commeaced by reading three letters as evidence of the degree of intimacy and friendship existing for years between Capt. Channey and Mr. Hillsburgh, and the confidence reposed in the latter. The following are

Copies:

Private 1

Charles Hillsburgh, Esq., New-York,—My dear Sir: I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of year letter of the time, this day. I thank you for your kindness in offering it strends a prote-ring hand over Cecilia, and to guide her with your sivine end judicious counsel during my also nor. I have no don's abe will cheerinly addie by your friendly counsel, and that she will not with all propriety, and accept the advice and caution I have given her in the spirit in when it is given. She is young, and the opinion of the propriety and accept the advice and caution I have given her in the spirit in when it is given. She is young, and the opinion of the propriety and accept the advice and caution I have given her in the spirit in when it is given. She is young, and the opinion of the propriety with its of dependent of poblic opinion, and not sofficiently aware when he beds of scandal public hotels are, from which the Clinton is not particularly extend. I have given my the reading about it in the house. I hope she has acced upon my advice in this matter. I regret extremely to learn of the unpleasant difficulty with Mrs. H. She certainly has no tight to take Gerilla to take at all, or to interfere with my wite as to her acts or opinion. The fact that as he was no longer her slave, but the wife of a gentleman who would shield and pronor her against the world—eye, oven against her own slater, who would gladly grand her to the during the slave of the world—eye, oven against her own slater, who would gladly grand her to the dust and decreade her, if she could. By what right does she presume to take my wife to take for her conduct in any particular? Is she not hidependent of her right does she presume to take my wife to take for her conduct in any particular? Is she not hidependent of her have a grant her is smaged that C. Is now independent of her tryingly and stading; and, further, she is outraged that Mr. Hillsburgh possesses the extern and counting to the whould sympathize to her done to be moved

no cause of complaint against me up to the present moment; but a finish protect my wite against all accounts from whether querter they may some. I shall be happy to hear from you, and believe they may some. I shall be happy to hear from you, and believe me, very sincredly your friend. JOHN L. CHAUNGEY. Tell C. to be a good girl and do as you tell her.

U.S. SHIF NIAGALY, PORT GRANDE, St. Vincent, & CAPE DE VERDES, Oct. 25, 1852. 

The steamer is in and salls to right.

My Dear Hillessuccent I avail myself of the first opportunity to give you training of our movements thus far. I arrived here on the late that, for ead, on my way down to the Coast, which will prevent the necessity of my return here on my way to the burst of States. I shall leave to morrow for Mourovia, which place I hope to reach in ten days, and if not detained on the Coast, here to be with you by Christinas, if not soomer, as you must be on the look out for us and be the first to beard us, bring, ten Budy, of course. We have all continued to enj, your usual coast, hope to a the look out for us and be the first to beard us, bringing Blady, of course. We have all continued to enj ye our os all health, although we have all suffered from a prevaining epidemic on beard—estatisch. The negroes, who nearly all came on board suffering from disease, &c., emassired to the last degree, have auffered greatly; many were hopeless cases and beyond the reach of nedical skill, and have died. They are a most degraded class of beings, and diagneting and fifthy to their habits beyond description; they have given me a great deal of trouble and amonyanous and incommode everybody on beard; the ship is filled with pesticutial vapors arising from their uncleanly habits, and tray have become such a muisance that I am alm at out of all patients. I shall be truly happy, when I am tid of them, and can have the ship in good constitute. We get along happily and harmanism dy on board; the others are gentlemen, and evond me with read in my duties, there has not been the first word of an unpleasant nature above we left New York, this is very gratifying to me, as you may imagine, and I have every hope of the continuance. The my dofties, there has not been the first word of an unphasant nature above we left New-Yors; this very grathying to me, as you may imagine, and I have every hope of its continuance. The officers have all direct with me and I with them, and they are quite acrowished at the respectable set out I made at the table, considering the very short notice. My steward turned out to be a great reach, and robbed me of all the liquious is tore we reached Gharkeston. I put him out of the columnan got a good colvered sew and in Charleston, and now legt along very comfortably. Now friend Mr Driscoll gets along famously; he was awfully sick at first, and looked very blue for a winle. I laughed at him, but it was of no use; he would not be comforted. He got over it after a while, and has serjoyed his bestim and appette. I have appointed him enterer of the mess, and he manages very worlf; he keeps the servants in order. He has scarcely get his evering facks to board, and I think finds move of such work to do than on authorpasted; he is a very estimable gentlem al, and very worthy, and I shall take good care of him for his own sake, as well as out of regard for you. He is a favorite with the officers. He is very confortable where he is, but had he gone in a mass, to which he would have been assigned otherwise, he would have been not plessantly situated, covaled-ring his inexperience at sex. I shall take him on shore with me to-day, to accumpany me on yofficial visit to the Governor General of the Island, was sent his Adde-de-Camp on board to offer me the civilties of the port. This is indeed a mass twenthed place, estanding only 1,480 in-baltants, of the lowest class, with the exception of a fiw English, who are in the coal befores at the place—size only thing which austains it. This is the great coaling station of Good I shall take bitm on shore with me to-day, to not impany me on my official visit to the Governor-General of the Island, who sent his Aide-de-Camp on board to offer me the civilities of the part. This is indeed a most wretched place, costnaining only 1,400 in-babitants, of the lowest class, with the exception of a few English, who are in the coal bestiness at the place—stace only thing which sustains it. This is the great coaling station of all the English mail steamers to Sourh America, Africa, Cape of Good Hope, &c., and they do a heavy business in that line. These steamers are very regular in their arrivals and departures, always coming in out be day expected. The steamer from Brazil for England will be in to-day, and leave to morrow; she will for England will be in to-day, and leave to morrow; she will for England will be in to-day, and leave to morrow; she will for England will be in to-day, and leave to morrow; she will for England will be in to-day, and leave to morrow; she will for England will be in to-day, and leave to morrow; she will for England will be on to-day, and wonder if she cares anything for me, or regrets my aborator, if they do not the ker patience. I think of her a great deal, and wonder if she cares anything for me, or regrets my aborator from her. Sometimes I think she does not, and is for inspire that he should be away, when she may be at liberty to exercise her independent spirit, in a little quiet diritation with better men than her husband, and whose society she may prefer to his. I trust it may not be so. I live in the hope it is not so, and yet she has so often told me of her indirectors for me, and, indeed, of her hate, that I have magiving as to the true interest to the foreign of her level and confidence? She should have thought of the hepe of her level and confidence? She should have thought of this before now it is too late. I am prepared to soffer all. I have not wished to clude to this in my interest to her, as I would not wound her feelings for say consideration under Heav

hence, years would reign, and that she would follow the advice I gave here as electrally at partian. God knows how I have beed disappointed and distributed at the result. My fate is indeed a lard one. I am very much consoled to hear test my dear Kate and the other children continue to treat their mother with respect, kindness and attention. I shall love them all the more for this protected by much as in your power tell her from me not in despond, nor give way to serrow. She knows Mr. delposition and temper, and she must be up in the consequence of innovates and restitude. God will make all come rath in them has been able to the my factors and he will not permit injustice to triumple lette. So, let her the patience and comfort in this belief, and be assumed in writing the man because M. In such in proper conduct, because she cannot have

Mr. Chaton, counsel for the complainant, resu ned the re-direct examination of Mr. Hillsburgh, as follows:

Mr. Hillsburgh—Shortly before the time of the throwing of the inkstand, when I saw a pistol in the hands of Mrs. Channey, Capt. Channey told me that he "was not going to live with that woman any longer," alluding to his wife; he said that she had been out, and he old not know where she had been he supposed she had been passing her time among strompets like herself; Capt. Channey remonstrated with Mrs. Channey, when she demanded to know for what reason he had said this of her; he answered she was a "———;" she then got up, and walked toward Capt. Channey; at this point, I said, "Captain, this is entirely wrong—you ought het to call your wife such names: "Cupt. Channey then picked up an inkstand, and threw it at her, striking against the skirt of her dress, below the waist, the ink bespattering her clothes and the floor; he then walked toward her, and picked up a chair, with which he struck her; the chair broke into several pieces, butting her between the breast and shoulder; I then stepped in between them; during all this time. Capt. Channey called his wife all sorts of bad names, such as &c.: he then took hold of her bands and arms, and &c.: he then took hold of her bands and arms, and bernganin she would shoot him: she said that he warred on women and children—that he was too much of a coward to do anything of the kind toward a man: she said. "Now! you dare not strike me!" he answered, 5 "O no, I wouldn't strike a defenseless woman;" soon Mr. Clinton, counsel for the complainant, resumed

coward to do anything of the kind toward a man: she said. "Now! you dare not strike me!" he answered, "O no, I wouldn't strike a defenseless woman;" soon after both the Captain and myself left the room; at the time Capt. Chauncey and his wife went to Sharon, nyself and Capt. Chauncey, her little gail and myself rode up from the depot, which is at a place called Paiatine Bridge, to the hotel, about nine miles; my baggy was too small to carry the whole company, and the captain requested me to remain in it; he followed by stage, arrying a half hour or so after we did; Capt. Captain requested me to remain in it; he followed by stage, arriving a half hour or so after we did; Capt. Chautery had sent his little boy to Sharon a week or two before this, where he was under my charge; at Sharon one morning, as Capt. Chautery's daughter Kate, Mrs. Chautery and myself were standing on the piazza is front of the hotel, between 7 and 8 o'clock, the Captain put his head out of the window of his reon, which was up a short flight of stairs, fronting on the piazza and wild. "I wonder where them.

is Captain put his head out of the window of his process, including the process of the parts, and said, "I woulder where them the woods to was up as short light of stairs, frosting on the parts, and said, "I woulder where them the woods to meet some of their men;" upon that Mrs. Chanteey immediately started and went to be Captain, from: I remained on the pixtus abelow, and overheard loud talking; looking up to the window of the board overheard loud talking; looking up to the window overheard loud talking; looking up to the work of the board lone; of favore and he does not a manner at a public was being offered; a few days afterward, in the window looking loud many long the loud of Mr. Charlewilly offered to the loud of Mr. Charlewilly offered to the loud of Mr. Charlewilly offered to the loud of Mr. Charlewill offered the louds of the loud of Mr. Charlewilly offered the louds of t

of \$1,500, included back expenses at Sharon and at Clinto-place Hotel; land instructions to furnish the of \$1.300, inclined back expenses at Sharon and at Clinton-place Hote!; lind instructions to farnish the family with everything that was necessary, and to spare nothing; in regard to the expenses of the family, the Captain told me that he was perfectly satisfied, and that if he had been home it would have cost him more; the liquer bill of \$9.50 was for New-Year's, two or three evenings before New-Year's, I was in Capt. Chancev's parlor in company with himself and wife, when I spoke of getting liquors for New-Year's for my own private use: Mrs. Channeey said: "Captain, we must have wines for the holidays; will you get some?" he said he bad some over at the Navy-Yard, or on board the ship, I am not certain which; she then said: "That is not here, and as Mr. Hillsburgh is going to get some for himself, you had better bet him get some on us, for New-Year's; the Captain said: "Certainly, I wish he would;" I then asked her what she would have, and took a memorandum of it; it was one gallon of sterry wine and one gallon of brandy; on New-Year's day, the Captain got up between I and 2 o'clock, and came into the parlor where Mrs. Channeey and myself were; he went up to the table and drank three or four glasses of sherry wine, and some brand valoe; he and his friends Easter collections. SALE OF PEWS OF THE TABERNACLE CHURCH .-The sale of news of the new Tabernacle Church, on the corner of Sixth avenue and Thirty-fourth street, took place on Wednesday evening last, at the church. The choice of pews was offered at auction, and nearly sixty were rented at a premium above the assessed value. The first was struck off at a premium of \$50 to Mr. M. Bates. The second and third sold for a premium of \$15 each, and the premiums thence gradnally lessened to \$1. The aggregate amount of rents and premiums of the evening was about \$6,000. Excussion .- The Light Guard, attended by Dodworth's Band, left this city yesterday, via Elizabethport, for Reading, Penn., to assist at the ceremony of opening the East Pennsylvania Railroad.

HUMBOLDY .- Portraits of this renowned man are exhibited by many print dealers. Otto Ebbinghaus, No. 945 Broadway, has a photograph which seems to be a most life-like representative of the grizzly octogenarian. CLEASING OF BROADWAY.- The cleaning of the streets has been entirely suspended by the city au-

expressed his gratitude to me for my trouble with the family in his absence, saying he never should be able to repay me, or something of that kind; up to the time of the reception of the libe ous letter no dispute had taken place between myself and the Captain.

The examination was here adjourned to 3 o'clock on

A QUESTION FOR THE POLICE.-The Troy papers

are discussing the question, "Does a policeman take care of the city, or does the city take care of him?"

EXECUTION IN VIRGINIA .- James H. Johnson was

On Thursday Mr. Smith, the contractor, who has or upward of two years cleaned Breadway at the

thorities.

joint expense of the city and a vrivate association of the merchants on that thoroughfare, received notice to suspend his operations. This notice was from Mr. Downing, Superintendent of Sanitary Inspection, who alleges as his authority the action of Mayor Tiemann in the premises. A public meeting of the citizens of Broadway is to be held on an early day.

SMANY LANDS.—On the form last, intre-administration of swamp and overflowed lands, approved to the State of Missouri, in the Booneville, the Jackson, and the Palmyra Districts, respectively, amounting in the aggregate to 69,252 acres, were transmitted by the fine and Land Office.

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An expresselffort is making

for the peru ament endowment of Pennsylvania College, at Getty-burg, Pa. One hundred thousand dollars are required for the purpose. C. A. Morris, esq., of York, has subscribed \$1,000 to the fund.

The merchants on Broadway are indiguant in reference to the decision.

Broadway, if long neglected, will soon, in such weather as that of the last day or two, present a bold and dirty contrast with its usually clean face.

Messre, Cyrus W. Field & Co. have just removed Execution in Vindisia.—James H. Johnson was hung at Rappehannock County, Va., on Friday, the 13th inst., for the murder of his wife. He made no confession, but, on the contrary, asserted his innoceance on the gallows. It is estimated that there were about from No. 11 Cliff street to No. 57 Beekman street, and, on Monday evening last, entertained their employees to a supper. The tables were spread on the on the gallows. It is estimated that there were about 3,000 persons present.

As Ofening for Letter Writers.—The Dorenport (lows) Democrat has a rumor from Pike's Peak that two men who had been prominent as letter writers during the Winter had been hung by a party of example the demogrants whom they had humbugged. first floor of the building, and more than 30 persons had places at the board. After the cloth was removed, Mr. Field made a few pertinent remarks, and was followed by Mr. Shuttleworth, who closed by proposing three cheers for Mr. Field, which were given battery; but Van Houten had not been arrested last

KILLED HIMSELF ON HIS PATHER'S GRAVE. On Tuesday afternoon of last week, the body of Mr. Honer Schenck of Fishkill was found in the a vaveyard with right good will. Speeches were afterward made by Messrs. Waterman, Jones, H. L. Field and others, Honer Schenck of Fishkill was found in the availage, though of the Reformed Dutch Church in that village, though then still alive, under the following singular and Cainful circumstances, as we leart from The Standard: A young man from Mattewan, being about that tin be near the pard, had the currosity to visit the menument of the lake Abraham Scherck the father of the unfortunate person alluded to, for the purpose of settling a question which had recently arisen among some of his friends, as to the age of that gentleman at his decease. Upon approaching the monument, what must have been his surprise, not only to hear the strange noise as of one deeply steering, but on drawing nearer, to find and the feetivities were kept up to a late hour.

JUSTICE QUACHENEUSH AND THE AMERICAN IN-DUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION-ANOTHER LIBER SCIT .-Justice Quackenbush preferred a complaint for libel, vesterday, at the City Hall Police Court, against D. R. Thousson, the Corresponding Secretary of the Anterican Industrial Association, upon which a warrant was issued and Thomason arrested. The libet is said 40 consist in the assertions put forth in a card printed in The Sun and THE TELDUNE, some days ago, making the decision in the case of Margaret Bonner against the Industrial Association, in a suit for wages, appear parties and ridiculous, and the Justice anything but a gestleman. Thomason was held to bail in the sum of \$ 000 to answer at the General Sessions.

DEATH OF THE OLDEST LAWIER IN DETCHESS County,-On Tuesday, Bleazer M. Swift, esq., of Dover, Dutchess County, while on his way to Poughkeepsie, alone in a one-horse wagon, on the back read, near the residence of Mr. Marcy, was found nearly dead. He was taken into Mr. Marcy's house, where every attention was paid but he remained insensible, and expired the same evening. His death was attributed to apoplexy. Mr. Swift was the oldest lawyer in practice in Dutchess County, aged 60 years, and brother to Henry Swift, esq., of Pengiskeepsie. He was a man of ability, thoroughly devoted to his profession, as well as literary and historical study.

triends, as to the age of that gentleman at his decease. I now approaching the monument, what must have been his surprise, not only to hear the strange noise as of one deeply esering, but on drawing pearer, to find the sen weltering in his own blood, at the side of his father's tomb, and his head redining upon it, while it was liverally covered with clotted gore, and a considerable portion of the brain bespeatered the monument. Beside him was a revelver, fully leaded and capped, one of the barrels only having been discharged, and, from appearances. he had evidently him there for several hours. He had shot himself in the right temple, and the ball had passed out on the left side of the head, thus completely shattering the brain, and his eyes were much swellen and discolored. He was immediately taken up and removed to his place of residence. Mr. S. had long been subject to intervals of mental abberatior. He was at church on Sabbath u criting, evidently under great mental excitement, and wept freely during prayer, after which he left, bowing as he left the church, in the most respectful manner. Just before entering the church-yard, for the accomplishment of his fatal purpose, he endeavored to induce a friend to accompany him, remarking that he might see something that he had never seen before. He was about 50 years of age, and leaves an interesting family, a wife, with a son and daughter, to mourn his maintely death. He died at 11 o'clock p. m.

[Kinston (Hear Ca.) Journal.

Contract for Surveys.—Mr. Charles E. Mix, on the 12th inst., at that time acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, corcluded an agreement with C. H. Sow and Henry Hutton for the survey of the southern boundary of the land granted to the Meadanakaton, Wabpakoota, Nisseston, and the rired pipe stone quarry' reserve, granted the Yankton Indians by the treaties of 23d of July and 8th day of August, 1851, and also the exterior boundaries of the Yankton reservation, and the "red pipe stone quarry' reserve, granted the Yankton Indians by the treaty of Atlagen Raps .- On complaint of Barbara Jager, residing in Broome street, near Mulberry, a man named Samuel Squires was arrested several days ago and brought before the City Hall Police Court charge i with a criminal assault upon the person of her daughter Margaret, a child of only eight years of ege. In defense it is alleged that the act was committed with the consent of both the child and the mother. A Police Surgeon, who was summoned to examine the child, testified that she was suffering from a leathsome disease. The case was sent to the General Sessions.

FALLING BUILDING CASUALTY-LABORERS IN-JURED .- On Wednesday afternoon a party of laborers engaged in tearing down a building known as the "Match Factory," in Fifty-fourth street, between Broadway and Eighth avenue, met with an accident which came near costing them their lives. While undermining the foundation, the walls suddenly fell in, burying beneath the ruins Beroard Honsell, Jacob Herthing and John Gannon. Capt. Coulter of the Twenty-second Ward Police was soen on the spot with a platoon of men, and rendered efficient aid in extricating the poor men from under the rubbish. Hertling and Honsell were severely injured, but Ganon escaped unharmed. Dr. Ives was sept for, and arriving at the spot rendered all po-sible aid to the sufferers, who were subsequently conveyed to their respective residences.

Supper Death. - Louis A. Mille, a native of France If years of age, died audiently on vedimeday ulaht at No. 60 Mul-berry street, from the disease of the lungs, hestened by intem-peration. The inther of deceased resides on Staon Island and is weariby, the habits of deceased, however, rendered him an out-cast from his family. Corener Gamble, held an inquest upon the body.

STABBING ON SHIPBOARD.— On Thursday morning, an English sailor named John Clark, while intextested, went on brard the ship Neptune, and drawing a knife said he wanted the blood of some one. He then rushed to the bunk of Peter Burrows, and cut him several times in the face, inflicting deep gashes. He was secured as soon as possible by the Harbor Police, and leeked up in the Tombs for trial. Burrows was attended by a physician, and then taken to the House of Detention, No. 88 White street, where he will be kept until the trial.

Mn. SHILLING IN THE STOVE BUSINESS .- A stove Mm. Shilling in the Stove Rushings.—A slove dealer, doing houses at No. 199 Beckman street, named Abundardt, preferred a charge of false pretenses against George Shilling, formerly a stove dealer at No. 579 Hodom street, upon which the laster was arrested yesterday. Mr. Abendroth allease the Shilling obtained about \$330 worth of stoves from him by representing that he had a certain amount of preperty which he did not really possess, being in debt to a relative at the time, to whom he since made assignment. Shilling was placed under \$500 bonds to surewer the charge of false pretenses on Monday rest.

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## BROOKLYN ITEMS.

THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.-The general plan of this building, to be erected in Montague street, near Court street, has been decided upon. The plat of ground embraces eleven lots. The building is to be \$25 feet frent on Montague street, and to extend back the depth of the lots, 100 feet. In addition to the stage, auditorum, green-rooms, and other apartments appertaining to an opera-house, there will be a large hall 40 by 90 feet in extent. At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors, a building committee was appointed with authority to go on with the work. Excavations for the foundation will be commenced in a short time.

SHOOTING AFFAIR .- A man named Edward Elwin was brought before Jastice Cornwell yesterday, on the charge of shooting James Birney, aged 12, and William Birney, 6 years of age, with a gun loaded with small shot. The boys are his nephews, and live in the same house with Elwin, in the rear of No. 116 Pearl street. The accused is employed in the gas werks, and labors at night. He took his ten and started for the works with ener of the boys, but soon after returned. The family say down to tea, when Elwin went to an adjoining room, and, taking his gun,

John Moore was brought before Just ce Ryder, on a charge of assault with a deadty weapon, preferred by Richard Van Houten. It appears that for some time past Van Houten has been in the habit of brutally beating his wife, who is a sister of Moore. On Wednesday morning he again beat her in such a manner as will disfigure ber face for some time. She, upon this, left him, and went to her mother's house, in New-York. On Wednesday noon her brother came home, and, seeing the condition of his sister, became exasperated, and determined to punish Van Houten. He procured a revolver and a single-barreled pistol with which to defend himself in case Van Honten should attack him, and, taking a heavy club, went in search of Van Houten. He found him in the grocery of James Johnson, corner of Ninth and Grand streets, and proceeded to chartise him with the club. After the infliction of several severe blows Van Houten seized a decenter to throw at Moore, when the latter drew a pistol and threatened to shoot him. Upon this, Officer Laramie interposed and arrested Moore. Justice Ryder, after hearing the facts as stated above, dismissed the complaint, remarking that "Moore served

evening. He resides in Ninth street, near Grand street, E. D.

Correction.—The body said to have been identified at Bay Ridge on Sunday, was that of Benjamin F. Magnire, dentist, No. 2 Union square, and not John Magnire. It was found at Copey Island, and not at Bay Ridge, on Saturday, and not on Sunday.

Fire.—Abent 3 o'clock yesterday afterneon a fire

Fire.-Abent 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire broke out in a shorty on Huron street, Grosepolot, owned by Mr. Partridge of Cliff street, New York, and occupied by Patrick Fairall. The flower were extinguished with a few palls of water, but all the furniture was destroyed. Origin of the fire tuknown.

ROBERY.—The house of George Homset, in Marcy averce, near Rodney after, was robbed on Wednesday sight of \$10 in money and \$7 week of jewelcy.

PROBABLE FATAL CAMPBENE ACCIDENT .- Ou PROBLEE FATAL CAMPIELSE ACCIDENT.—Our Wednesday eventure, an aged ledy named Ross, residing in Smith street, near Wycked street, E. D., was burned in a dessibility name of the similar of some cannot be. She was about should be for the similar of the similar of the similar of the similar of campiers and poured some of it on the first. The fluid guided inmediately, and caught her dress, and she was instantly enveloped in flames. She ran into a bedroom and wranged a blanket around herself, extinguishing the flames. De Orwan was called to attend her, when itwas found that she was badly horned about the breast and side, and it is thought may have inhaled some of the vapor. But little hope is entertained of her recovery.

Gas.-The new Gas Company opened their sub-

ROBBERY BY A SERVANT.—A servant in the employ of Mrs. Mary Carlan, Nr. 2 Willow street, left the house at 4 of the k vesterday morning, and carried of \$19 in aliver, \$34 in bills, and materials for boy's calculate of \$15. She had been in Mrs. Carlan's employment for some weeks, and had one highly recommended for honesty. The accused has not yet been arrested.

LICENSES.—The sum of \$2,500 has been paid to the City Clerk for ilcenses during the past month.

## LAW INTELLIGENCE.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT-May 19. - Before Judge NEESON.
ACTION OF TROVER FOR STEAMERS OCEAN BIRD ST.

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LAWRENCE AND MERICO.

John Grahm agt. Lewis H. Meyer.

This is an action of trover to recover the value of the steamship Ocean Bird and St. Lawrence, and of one-third of the retem-ship United States, the name of which was changed to Mexico, as having been wrongfully converted to his own use by the defendant. The amount claimed is 4400,000. There is now a soft in equity pending in this Court against Edward Stocken, Cornelius Pollon and Richard Poulon. The bill, which was anne weed by the defendant Stucker, who denice entirely or mean ably some of its most material statements, sets forth that in December, 1856, the plintiff was owner of the sleamships in question, the Ocean Bird, St. Lawrence, and of one-third of the Mexico. That the legal title to the Ocean Bird was in in Richard Poillon, defendant, by a bill of sale to him, as eccurity for sidvanes, &c. That the last-named vessel was worth \$250,000. That plaintiff became a good deal any-doed in connection with these vessels, and wanted a lean. There were bethe to a large amount on the Ocean Bird and St. Lawrence. That the plaintiff applied to divers genesses for the requisite loin, and at last, at the suggestion of R. Follon to Mr. James New mith of this city. That Nesnith, Velecome R. Beebe of the law tran of Beebe, Dean & Doubhue, and plaintiff, met for the first time in reference to the hummes at Beebe's office, on Docember.

proposed that the greenment to recovery should run to the maine of other frechol of Graham. To which he, Graham, assented and memed William H. Asphawall. It was then agreed, that Meyer J. Stucken should assente the agreement to recover the vascels, upon the responsed which Graham. A few days after the plaintiff was apin sent for to Bedee's effect, wherehe me to Neamith. This, also, was never done. A few days after, the plaintiff was apin sent for to Bedee's effice, wherehe me to Neamith. Beebe, and Lane. They proposed to him this time to have the instrument of recovery once run to Cranium Paillon, as he was a creditor of Graham. To this be (Graham assented, as, he ways, he could not get the money any other way. A writing was to be drawn, in accordance with this last understanding, but was not as for as plaintiff knows. Seen thereafter, he was further proposed to Graham, that the contract to receive about do executed to him, not by Meyer & Sancken, but by Neamith and Lone personally for them. On the 19th Becomber, a paper, accordingly, was exceuted by Neamith and Lone personally for them. On the 19th Becomber, a paper, accordingly, was exceuted by Neamith and Lone personally for them. On the 19th Becomber, a paper, accordingly, was exceuted by them therefore, the effect that Meyer & Scucken should, within twenty days from that date, outer this a written contract, with Corneius Politon, to reconvey the vessel, within fair mouths from date of contract, as he, Politon, should direct; and further, that Meyer & Suncken should permit Politon to take the St. Lawrence to Cuba and upon the payment of \$9,000 to M. & S. would carry that vessel to whom and as he, Politon might choose. Meyer & Suncken should permit Politon to take the St. Lawrence to Cuba and upon the payment of \$9,000 to might choose. Meyer & Suncken, by when the sun and as he, Politon might choose. Meyer & Suncken sold, as planniff alleges, sinken, and with the sid of affects forcibily took passession of the Qualment of the St. Lawrence, at Havens, through

Birney's arm and abdomen, and William Birney was business was tromseted by Steken while he (Meyer, was housewey's arm and abdomen, and William Birney was sightly wounded. None other was hit. James is considered in a dangerous state. Elwin had been on a drunk for some days, and was just getting over the effects. He was committed to jail to await the result of the injuries.

A Wiff-Whipper Flooded--Yesterday morning

A Wiff-Whipper Flooded--Yesterday morning a user-less controlet, and can't apper the observant the balants' must observed the transaction, them in that court the plaints' must do equity, and must offer to pay the actual moneys advanced, with lawrist interest, but if the borrower seek rollet in a cuit at law, he can establish the usurious courtant, and he is entitled to recover hack any property that has passed by way of security without making a tender of the money or an offer to pay it, and that if left to the Court to instruct them seconding to the law, the Judge would feel bound so to advise them in this case. But that the course for the plaintiff had volunearly spread or proposed that the Jury should educt all the meries that had been advanced to their client by Meyer & Stucker, and all expenses that had been focurred for the busin of the ships down to the time of the boan, and wrongful conversion.

The Jury then retired, sind, after an absence of five hours, rendered a verific for the plaintiff for the sum of two handrod two handred and forty-two thousand dollars, being the full amount claimed, deducting the voluntary reduction agreed upon by plaintiff.

Charles O'Conner F R. Cetting, and J. T. Wil

amount claimed, deducting the vocaces; by plaints.

For plaints. Charles O'Connor, F. B. Cotting, and J. T. Wil-For plaints. Charles O'Connor, F. B. Cotting, and J. T. Wil-liams. For detendant, James T. Brady and Ex-Judge Dean.

SUPREME COURT-CHANGERS-MAY 12-Before Judge

SUPREME COURT—CHANGERS—MAY 10.—Before Judge Strugglands.

The Count Johnses (no Geo Jones) 53t. Sylvester Southworth et al.

Shortly before the Court adjourned this afternoon the Count Johnses made his appearance, with a formidable roll of appears made the chair, and applied for an order requiring the definings, who are proprietors of The Sunday Mercury, to those cause why an attachment should not be issued against them for contempt. The Count stated that, after the promeding of last weak, the proprietors of The Sunday Mercury published as at their in the columns in contempt of the proof states of the Count, and reiterating the libelors matter complained of.

The Judge stated that he had no time to look into the matter at present, and requested the Count to call on Tauraday, which the laster agreed to do.

that the Count had a "gracedy by commencing another action against the defendant.

SUPERIOR COUPS—TRIAL TREM—MAY 12.—Before Judge Bos Votats.

INE JEROME CLOTK CONFACT AND P. T. BARNUM. Wen Small switches, Ac, and Joseph F. Sanger. Plaintiff on assignment of F. M. & H. Parnies, and for meneys, allered to have been burfored by then of that firm, when it was his business. Fishnish along the Sanger called upon Fornies in Nov., 1958, and desired to horrow on his own account the sum of \$1.500. Set which has offered as calledral security \$4.500 in drafts of the Jerome Check Co., accepted by P. T. Barnum; that that firm beaned to him personally the sum accepting the pre-fiered drafts a security in secureance with his preposition. Defendant denied that he had borrowed the money on his own account, and search that he stead of our sagent for the Jerome Co. in obtaining money for them an the replances of Barnum, and that he stand to the Forniases at the time the loan was made, that it was for the Jerome Co., and that they must look to that Co., and the drafts deposited, for their payment and security. The plaintiff, however, called the Furniases is willbeauer, and they testified to the feets set forth in the complaint, contradicting the defendant on the principal points. The Jeromes were also called as whenever each of the set of the promes for the set of the Jerome Company, and that he was authorized to do so by the Company, that they must find the was between the set of the set of the set of the plantiff was called to a verific for the since of the Jerome Company, and that he was authorized to a verific for the pinking of the Jerome Company, and that he was authorized to a verific for the since o

A DIVORCE CASE, SUI ORNERIS,
McManners agt. McManners.
Hillton, J.—The complaint of the plaintiff alloges
well and inhuman treatment on the part of the defendant, and
oncludes with a demand for judgment for limited divorce, or
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The answer contains a denied of these charges, sets up as a defense the bad conduct of the plaintif, and charges her some all with adultery with persons maknown, concluding with a demand of judgment that the marriage the led disolved.

A reference appears to have been regularly made, with directions to take proof of all the facts charged in the plusdings, with the could direction to report the same to the Court, with the opinion of the Referee thereon, and no objection was taken to the defendent setting up-adultery as a defense in the action until evidence in support of it was offered before the Referee, when the objection was overrided, and testimony effect to sustain that defense was admitted.

It may be that the objection came too late. Had it been made in time, it is very probable the defense of stuttery would be stricken out, upon the ground that it could not be interposed in an action the the present. (Molintosh agt Molintosh. 12 Howened, P. R. 25%).

But it is unnecessary to express any opinion upon this question, and and the context and the surrounders.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS-MAY 19. - Before

to con mix grand larceny, and were remained for sentence.

And Bush, a young, hardsome woman, 29 years of age, pic a guilty of an attempt to steal a wards. Sentence was deferred.

The Court adjourned to 11 a. m., on Friday. COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS-May 19.-Before Justices

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS—MAY 19.—Before Justices Witten, Streems and Kelley.

Rosina Coyle, stealing a silver box, &c.—Remanded; Thomas Sullivan, John McGrath and Patrick Haviland, assault and battery—Fined #25 each; William Bonahoe, assault and battery—Fined #25 william Kelly, assault and battery—Fined #36. William Kelly, assault and battery—Fined #30. John Driscoll, assault and battery—Fined #30. John Driscoll, assault and battery—Fined #35. Richard Mailson, assault and battery—Fined #36. Richard Cartia, assault and battery—Fined #36. John Doherry, assault and battery—Fined #36. John Hydron, assault and battery—Judgment anapended; David Hahn and Heary Relieer, assault and battery—Fined #36. John & Malloney, assault and battery—Judgment suspended; Mary Rynn, assault and battery—Fined #36. John Battery—Judgment suspended; Andry Rynn, assault and battery—Fined #36. Patrick Gasey, assault and battery—Fined #36. Patrick Gasey, assault and battery—Fined #37. Patrick Gasey, assault and battery—Fined #37. Patrick Gasey, assault and battery—Fined #38. Patrick Gasey, assault and battery—Fined #38. Patrick Gasey, assault and battery—Judgment suspended; B. PROCKLYN, CLTY COURT—May 19.—Refere Judgment Street & Patrick Catey, assault and battery—Fined #36.

BROOKLYN CITY COURT—May 19—Before Judge Culvum. James Kennedy, by Michael Kennedy, its Guardiso, agt. Refuse Researc.

This was an action for \$1,000 damages on account of fujuries antained by plaintiff, a boy some \$\frac{1}{2}\text{or of years of age, on the 5th of March last. The defendant errored spile of lambor on the sidewalk in John street, near Pearl, leaving some \$\frac{1}{2}\text{or of age, on the 5th of March last. The defendant errored spile of lambor on the sidewalk in John street, near Pearl, leaving some \$\frac{1}{2}\text{in of many limited grants of the passage way. As charged, the lumber was carefucily piled age, and the boy passing, several sticks fell down and street him on the head, inflicting several sticks fell down and street him on the head separated the tale, and was the direct cause of the accident. This being apparent, a mounti was contended.

John Peterson was brought before the Court on an attachment for contempt. Some time since he was ordered to pay his wife from whom he had separated), \$\pi\_0\$ per week, which is alther neglected or refused to \$\pi\_0\$. He was adjudged guilry of the contempt and committed to the causidity of an officer entit the amount due (some \$\pi\_0\$) is paid.

Thirty nine jurge summoned to attend the Court and not answering to their names, were fined \$\pi\_0\$ to see the part of the fine of their names, were fined \$\pi\_0\$ to see the passage of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not answering to their names, were fined \$\pi\_0\$ to see the passage of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not answering to their names, were fined \$\pi\_0\$ to see the passage of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not an account of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not an account of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not an account of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not an account of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court and not an account of the court and not an account of the fine of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court of \$\pi\_0\$ to the court of the

BROOKLYN COURT OF SESSIONS—MAY 18.—Before
Judge Moratis, Justice Emmons and Hovy.
The Court organized for the term this morning. The
Petit Jury was called and impanushed. A number who did not
answer to their names were fined.
Philip Boylon, for forevry in the second degree in passing counterful; bills (See. Rogers, indicted for burglary in the second
degree, and Aurly Courtin, included for largery, servasily
pleaded not guilty, and were rea.
Finity Roch, for grand largery, anded guilty and was sentenced to the State Prison for three years. Wilsian Alexander
pleaded guilty to a similar effense, and was sentenced to the State
Prison for two years. Join Craripton and Andrew Takes, indicted for petit farcerty in scening a Bible and a ruise from School
No. 14, were sentenced to the Penitentiary for three months

The trial of James Hughes, indicted for aroon in sating his own premises in Kent avenue on fire, was set down for Western day of next west, when the Court adjourned all 10 o'clock on Friday normin.

SUPERIOR COURT—PART I.—Same as yesterday.
PART II.—Same as yesterday.
COMMON PLEAS—PART II.—Nos. 117, 70, 61.

BROOKLYS CITT COURT.-Not. 71, 8, 32, 49, 58

## NEW-JERSEY ITEMS.

THE FIRE IN THE FORESTS OF NEW-JERSEY.—
Some additional particulars have been received of the damage done by the fire in the forests of New-Jersey. The coullagration, which approached Mesiford, destroyed the timber, covering about, 15,000 acres of land, owined by William Braddock and others. Hr. Braddock's loss, also, amounted to \$10,000, at Sayadra Mills, where the flurness encountered a large proof, it was supposed that the destruction would be arrested, but a light wise pressuling, the fire created the poof, and engight in the footbillage pressuling, the fire created the poof, and engight in the footbillage increase. Acc., so that the people narrowly escaped with those lives. The fire corresponded loss Position, where a Column and was